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TITLE

IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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This is a continuation of Application No. 09/910,841 filed July 24, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,736,476 B2, issued May 18, 2004, which is a divisional application of Application No. 09/021,459 filed February 10, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,273,535 B1, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

15 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to an image forming system and, more

20 particularly, to an image forming system and image forming apparatus for forming
a hard copy of an image or the like captured by, e.g., a digital camera.

RELATED ART

Conventionally, a system in which an input image from a digital input

device, such as a scanner, a digital camera, or the like, is printed via a host such as
a personal computer (PC), is known. In such system, the host has drivers for
independently controlling the digital input device and printer. For this reason, an
input from the digital input device is saved as data in the format which is easiest to
use and displayed on the host. Upon printing, the user observes the state of the